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**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned), on  
**WEDNESDAY,**  
the 28th March, 1913, at 3 P.M., at No. 48, MORRISON HILL ROAD, —  
THE SUNDRY  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE,  
Therein Contained,  
including One Bedroom Suite  
practically new.  
(Particulars from Catalogue).  
On view day of sale.  
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Hongkong, March 22, 1913. 393

**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
THE Undersigned have received instructions from H. P. WHITE, Esq., to sell by Public Auction  
**THURSDAY,**  
the 27th March, 1913, commencing at 2.15 P.M., No. 1, DORCHESTER STREET, Top Flat, —  
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Also  
An Antique Hall Clock by Will Newman, a quantity of Silver Ware, American Cut Glass, Fine Eggs Tea and Coffee Services, an Air-tight Cigar Cabinet, Electric Ceiling Fans, Fittings, Electro-lights, etc., etc.  
On view Wednesday, 26th inst. Catalogues will be issued.  
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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for account of the concerned), on  
**FRIDAY,**  
the 28th March, 1913, at 3 P.M., at 2, GRANVILLE AVENUE, GRANVILLE ROAD, Kowloon, —  
THE SUNDRY  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE,  
Therein Contained,  
including One Drawing Room Suite (Polished Teakwood).  
One Piano by Arthur Allison, London.  
(See view day of sale).  
Catalogues will be issued.  
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Hongkong, March 24, 1913. 393

**NOTICE**  
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned), on  
**FRIDAY,**  
the 28th March, 1913, at 3 P.M., at 2, GRANVILLE AVENUE, GRANVILLE ROAD, Kowloon, —  
THE SUNDRY  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE,  
Therein Contained,  
including One Drawing Room Suite (Polished Teakwood).  
One Piano by Arthur Allison, London.  
(See view day of sale).  
Catalogues will be issued.  
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Auctioneers.  
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**AUCTIONS**  
**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned), on  
**MONDAY,**  
the 31st March, 1913, at 2.30 P.M., at No. No. 4, DUNBAR VILLAS, CAMERON ROAD, Kowloon, Top Flat, —  
THE SUNDRY  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE,  
Practically New,  
Therein Contained,  
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).  
Including One Piano and Electric Fittings.  
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## INTERNATIONAL RUGBY.

LONDON, March 25.  
Ireland defeated France, in an International Rugby Match at Cork, by 24 points to nil.

## MISS SYLVIA PANKHURST.

LONDON, March 25.  
Miss Sylvia Pankhurst, the Suffragette, is in a nursing home. It is stated that the blood vessels of her eyes have burst as a result of forcible feeding.

## UNITED STATES AND CHINA.

WHY SHE WITHDREW FROM THE LOAN.

LONDON, March 25.  
A message from Washington to *The Times* states that the American withdrawal from the Chinese loan was prompted by President Wilson's desire that the United States should be in a position to exercise a restraining influence in case of the selfish intervention of any of the Powers.

## TURCO-BALKANS WAR.

## ULTIMATUM FROM AUSTRIA.

LONDON, March 24.  
Reuter's correspondent at Cetinje telegraphs that the Austro-Hungarian Minister on Saturday presented an ultimatum demanding the cessation of operations at Skutari until all civilians have left, adding that in the event of non-compliance they will employ military force.

The semi-official *Fremdenblatt* (Vienna) says that Montenegro has telegraphed ordering a strict inquiry into the *Skodra* incident, declaring that she will do all in her power to facilitate Austrian navigation at San Giovanni. Montenegro contends that the priest said to have been assassinated at Djakova was a rebel, who was shot on fleeing, but Austria insists on being represented by an archbishop and a Prizrend consular official at an inquiry on the spot.

According to advices from Cetinje another Austrian Note has been received, which is also threatening in tone, and demands the cancellation of all conversions of Catholics and Mohammedans in the Djakova district to Orthodoxy since the Montenegrin occupation.

Montenegro, with a view to proving that the conversions were not compulsory, replied proposing a Commission of Inquiry, on which Austria and Italy would be represented, and refusing to allow the Austrian authorities to exercise sovereign rights over territory occupied by Montenegro.

The Austrian Legation refused to accept the answer, on the ground that the wording was unseemly.

## RUSSIAN MOBILISATION.

It is telegraphed from St. Petersburg that an Imperial order calls out the 1910 and 1912 classes of militia throughout the Empire except Poland for four weeks' training in 1913 at a date not yet specified.

A telegram from Belgrade states that Serbia has replied to the Powers' communication in a similar manner to Bulgaria.

## RECEPTION OF THE ULTIMATUM.

A telegram from Reuter's correspondent at Cetinje states that Austria's ultimatum has caused a painful impression. In influential circles it is regarded as a violation of neutrality in connection with the Balkan war. It is also believed that it is intended to hamper the military operations against Skutari. Montenegro has in formed the Allies of Austria's action.

## KING CONSTANTINE.

LONDON, March 24.  
King Constantine of Greece has arrived at Salonika from Athens.

The British, German, French and Austrian warships fired salutes of 21 guns.

His Majesty continues to act as Commander-in-Chief of the Greek Army in the field, with headquarters at Salonika.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

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## THE TORNADO IN AMERICA.

ENORMOUS LOSS OF LIFE AND PROPERTY.

LONDON, March 25.  
Reuter's Omaha correspondent says that the path of the tornado was six blocks wide and several miles long. Throughout the city, hundreds of buildings were wrecked and at least a hundred people killed. Many hundreds were injured.

## WIDESPREAD DAMAGE.

Another telegram states tornado swept southern Terra Haute, Indiana, to-day, and there are probably 50 to 300 casualties.

## THE CENTRAL STATES.

Reuter's Chicago correspondent states that the tornado in the Central States has caused enormous damage. The details are meagre, as a telegraph wire has been wrecked.

## TROOPS TO RENDER ASSISTANCE.

Omaha and Nebraska were devastated yesterday night. The casualties are variously estimated at between one hundred and a thousand. Troops have gone to render assistance.

## ITALIANS IN TRIPOLI.

TROUBLE WITH THE ARABS.  
LONDON, March 25.  
A telegram from Rome states that the Italians at Tripoli are being constantly harassed by frequent raids of Arabs under the able leadership of Baruni Bey, ex-member for Tripoli in the Turkish Parliament, who established regular government in the interior. With a view to stopping the raids, two Italian columns yesterday attacked and stormed at the point of the bayonet strong positions to the south of Carian. The Arabs left 220 dead. The Italian casualties were 24 dead and 133 wounded.

## THE SPEAKER INJURED.

LONDON, March 25.  
The Speaker (Rt. Hon. J. W. Lowther) has fractured his wrist in a motor car accident.

## A KING'S OBSEQUES.

## IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY.

LONDON, March 25.  
A telegram from Athens states that the Lying in State ceremony is most impressive. The dead King is regarded as having fallen in battle. Magnificent flowers lie near the coffin, and great and silent crowds pass. The guard of honour consists of Royal Princes and officers, erect and motionless.

## MILITANT SUFFRAGETTES.

## A DISAPPOINTED CROWD.

LONDON, March 24.  
In view of recent experiences, the Suffragettes did not attempt to hold their usual Sunday demonstration in Hyde Park. An ugly-tempered crowd, numbering many thousands, waited for some hours in expectation that a demonstration would be attempted.

## ANTARCTIC EXPLORATION.

## ANOTHER EXPEDITION PROPOSED.

LONDON, March 24.  
Sir Ernest Shackleton, who is starting a tour in America, has announced that after the tour he will organise a fresh scientific expedition to the Antarctic.

## NEWS FROM JAPAN.

Tokyo, March 25.  
The Bill providing for a reduction of the Income Tax has been passed by the House of Commons.

## TROUBLE AVERTED.

WHAT little cold and sore throat of yours must be checked at once or it may develop into something worse. Take a few doses of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and your troubles will soon vanish. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## LUSITANO RECREATION CLUB.

Annual Athletic Meeting.

The Need of a Cinder Track.

The sports meeting, annually promoted by the Club Lusitano, is looked upon as the principal outdoor gathering of the year among the Portuguese community, and the popularity of the event enabled it to rise superior to the bitterly cold weather yesterday. The gathering on the race course, which was kindly placed at the disposal of the club by the stewards of the Jockey Club, was as large as ever, and as usual excellent sport was witnessed. The stands on the level were packed and in the grandstand there was also a large gathering of spectators.

The band of the 25th Punjab played a pleasing programme during the afternoon under the direction of Bandmaster Newman.

Thanks to the kindly interest of a large number of friends of the club a fine lot of prizes was put up for competition and these were distributed by H.B. Sir Henry May, who in the course of a short speech referred to the need for a proper racing track for use at such meetings.

His Excellency, who was called upon by Mr. J. J. Leiris, the Portuguese Consul, to present the prizes, said he thought all had enjoyed an excellent afternoon's sport. He congratulated the club upon this, its seventh meeting, which had been most successful. The racing had been good, slippery. It showed how much a racing track was needed in the Colony. The sprinters who had delighted them that afternoon deserved to have a cinder track to sprint upon, and they must see if they could not supply that want. A Colony like Hongkong ought really to have something better for athletes to race upon than a race course. It was good enough for ponies, but it was not good enough for bipeds. (Laughter.) After congratulating the winner of the championship, Mr. Castro, His Excellency said that if all had enjoyed themselves during the afternoon as he had done since four o'clock they had had a very good time. (Applause.)

After Sir Henry May had given away the prizes he presented the football shield and medals, which were won by Mr. F. M. Cruz's team.

The Portuguese Consul proposed a vote of thanks to His Excellency, who suitably responded.

The sports, the results of which are given below, were carried out under the control of the following officials:—President, Consul Joao Joaquim Leiris; Vice-President, Mr. Alvaro Gustavo de Rocha; Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. O. Remo; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. F. H. Hyndman; Judges, Mr. Leo d'Almeida e Castro, Mr. J. C. Barreto, Mr. A. D. Barretto, Mr. D. P. J. Lopes, Mr. J. D. Osmund, Dr. F. M. Graça Ozeiro, Mr. Philippe da Rosa, Mr. M. E. da Silva, Referee, Mr. J. P. Braga; Handicappers, Mr. J. O. Remo, Mr. L. G. Cordeiro, Mr. A. G. da Rocha; Starters, Mr. A. E. S. Alves, Mr. J. M. V. Remo; Timekeepers, Mr. C. M. S. Alves, Mr. J. O. Remo; Clerks of the Course, Mr. J. M. Brito, Mr. L. G. Cordeiro.

120 Yards Flat—Heat 1: 1, T. A. Carvalho (3 yards); 2, J. M. Ribai (1 yard); Heat 2: 1, L. G. Cordeiro (1 yard); 2, R. A. Carvalho (2 yards); Heat 3: 1, J. M. Rosa Pereira (3 yards); 2, N. M. Maher (2 yards). Final: 1, L. G. Cordeiro; 2, J. M. Rosa Pereira.

300 Yards Boys—1, Proudhon; 2, 3, Marques.

High Jump—1, E. M. Castro, 4ft. 10in.; 2, F. Elizaga, 4ft. 8in.

One Mile Bicycle—1, N. M. Maher (60 yards); 2, M. F. dos Remedios (1 yards). Time, 3min. 55 3/4secs.

120 Yards Boys—1, T. Castro; 2, F. Figueredo; 3, V. Bolderos.

100 Yards Girls—1, B. Castro; 2, Alda Rocha; 3, Paulina Vidira.

100 Yards Three-legged—1, N. M. Maher and P. A. Yvanovich; 2, J. M. Rosa Pereira and V. A. Azeredo.

Bicycle Race, 3 miles—1, M. F. Remedios (30 yards); 2, C. Vas (50 yards). Time, 8min. 58sec.

Tell-milo Flat Race (European sailors, olders and police)—1, Moses, D.C.I.; 2, E. Ward, 87th Co. R.G.A.

100 Yards Flat—1, J. F. Castro; 2, L. G. Cordeiro. Time, 10sec.

Boys and Girls, under 7—1, F. Figueredo; 2, J. Silva.

440 Yards Flat—1, J. M. Rosa Pereira (15 yards); 2, T. A. Carvalho (25 yards); 3, N. M. Maher (scratched). Time, 69 1/2sec.

Extra Girls' Race, from 10 to 13 only—1, B. Leonard; 2, B. Castro.

220 Yards Flat Championship (open)—1, J. F. Castro; 2, L. G. Cordeiro. Time, 25 3/4secs.

100 Yards Flat (over 170lbs.)—1, C. M. Soares, 245lbs; 2, F. X. Botelho, 170lbs.

Sack Race—1, P. A. Yvanovich; 2, J. M. Brito.

Girls, under 12—1, Daria Xavier; 2, B. Leonard.

Half-mile Flat—1, S. A. Marcel (40 yards); 2, F. M. Cruz (scratched); 3, A. F. Baptista (30 yards). Time, 2min. 25secs.

Ladies' Nomination—1, F. F. Cruz (Miss Osmund); 2, B. O. Silva (Miss Soares); 3, F. J. Barreto (Mrs. Barreto).

Tenm Race, 220 yards—1, J. M. Rosa Pereira; 2, G. A. Carvalho; 3, M. V. Ribeiro; 4, B. Hyndman; 5, N. M. Maher; 6, Elizaga; 7, F. Silva; and 8, D. Pereira.

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## DEATH OF LADY DOROTHY NEVILL.

LONDON, March 25.  
The death is announced of Lady Dorothy Nevill, the well-known traveller and authoress of some interesting publications.

## THE AMERICAN CUP.

## THE LIPTON CHALLENGE.

LONDON, March 25.  
The New York Yacht Club has cabled to the Ulster Yacht Club declining to reconsider Sir Thomas Lipton's challenge.

## MORE SUFFRAGETTE DESTRUCTION.

LONDON, March 25.  
Suffragettes yesterday morning set fire to an empty house at Beckenham. The fire was quickly discovered and extinguished after slight damage had been done.

## SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon, when Mr. D. W. Frauman presided. Others present included Dr. Fitzwilliams, Mr. Chan Kai ling, Mr. Ng Hon Tsz, Col. Irwin, Dr. Clark, M.O.H., Dr. Pearce, and the Hon. Mr. W. Chatham.

## SANTARY APPLIANCES.

The following letter was read from Government:—"I am directed to state that the recommendations concerning the erection of five w.c.s. in three new houses to be erected on May Road, submitted in your letter of the 24th March, have not been approved by the Governor-in-Council."

## CREMATORIUM.

The proposed crematorium bye-laws were submitted.

Mr. Bowley moved: From the Board's point of view the crematorium should be encouraged, and the penalty is sufficient. If the police think the penalty insufficient from the criminal point of view they can also steps to strengthen the law.

Dr. Fitzwilliams: There are several points in each of these papers which require careful discussion, and this is being delayed until the special sub-committee has decided on which of these drafts the crematorium bye-laws are to be made.

The Chairman said there was a difference of opinion with reference to the form that the legislation should take. It would save a great deal of time and writing if the question were referred to the Government at once for the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown. He had no doubt that the matter would again be referred to the Board.

Dr. Fitzwilliams said it was referred to the Law Officers of the Crown it would alter prejudicially their position. In the papers which had been circulated there were five different measures for the steps in which these bye-laws could be framed, and the matter was not so much a question as to penalties as to how the crematorium permit was to be granted on what doctor's certificate the recommendation was to pass. They had many people practising here who were not on the British medical register. He proposed that a sub-committee be formed to consider the ways of making the bye-laws and then the matter could be discussed and sent to the Law Officers. The sub-committee would report to the Board.

The Hon. Mr. Chatham seconded, and the motion was passed.

It was agreed that the sub-committee should consist of Mr. Bowley, Dr. Fitzwilliams, Dr. Clark, and the Registrar-General.

## FIRE CLUB.

An application was received for permission to erect a convenience at the Peak Club. Several minutes were read upon the matter.

Mr. Chan Kai Ming thought that if the Government mains are depended upon for the water supply the application ought to be refused.

Mr. Bowley asked how this case differed from that of the Peak Hotel? If one was granted the other should be granted also.

Colonel Irwin considered that the conditions at the club for the convenience of public functions were so unsanitary that the application should be granted.

Mr. Ng Hon Tsz agreed with Mr. Bowley.

The Hon. Mr. Hewitt considered that no account should be supplied from the Government mains for such a purpose. The application should be refused.

The Hon. Mr. Halliday agreed with Mr. Chan Kai Ming.

The Hon. Director of Public Works said this case differed from that of the Peak Hotel because the convenience was only wanted for special occasions. The quantity of water required would be small. He moved that the application be granted.

Dr. Fitzwilliams seconded.

Mr. Chan Kai Ming proposed that the application be refused, and the motion was seconded by Mr. Ng Hon Tsz.

The voting was open, three on each side, and the Chairman gave the casting vote for the amendment—that the application be refused.

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